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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION congratulating Dr. Richard J. Houck on the occasion of his retirement.

Whereas, Dr. Richard J. Houck has dedicated decades of his life in service to the people of Michigan City and LaPorte County;

Whereas, At the age of 83, Dr. Houck has decided to retire from the practice of medicine;

Whereas, After studying pre-med courses at DePauw University, Dr. Houck graduated from the Indiana University School of Medicine in 1957;

Whereas, Following a general internship at Orange County General Hospital in Orange, California, Dr. Houck entered the Air Force in September 1958;

Whereas, In 1959, Dr. Houck completed a flight surgeon course and was designated as a flight surgeon responsible for the health of flight personnel;

Whereas, While on active duty, Dr. Houck completed a residency in ophthalmology at Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, and at Brooke General Hospital, Fort Sam Houston (San Antonio), Texas;

Whereas, While on active duty, Dr. Houck had numerous assignments including Paine Field, Everett, Washington; U.S. Air Force Base, Evreux-Fauville Air Base, Evreux,



France; Armed Forces Institute of Pathology, Washington, D.C. (Eye Pathology); Andrews Air Force Base, D.C.; and the School of Aerospace Medicine (Brooks Air Force Base), San Antonio, Texas (chief, clinical ophthalmology);

Whereas, Dr. Houck left active duty and returned to Michigan City to open a private practice but remained in the Air Force Reserve, retiring in 1992;

Whereas, Dr. Houck has more than 59 years of diverse experiences in ophthalmology;

Whereas, Active within the community, Dr. Houck and his wife, Jean, have volunteered at the International Friendship Gardens since 1970, where he has served as president of the board, and cofounded the Northern Indiana Association for Children with Learning Disabilities (NIACLD);

Whereas, Dr. Houck has served as president of the medical staff at St. Anthony Hospital, president of the LaPorte County Medical Society, trustee of the 13th District of the Indiana State Medical Association, and assistant treasurer of the Indiana State Medical Association, and, in 2006, was designated as a Distinguished Hoosier by Indiana Governor Mitch Daniels because of his community service;

Whereas, The Board of Directors of Samaritan Counseling Centers, Inc. has named Dr. Richard J. Houck as the recipient of its 2014 Good Samaritan Service Award which publicly recognizes an individual who embodies the Samaritan spirit found in the parable of the Good Samaritan from Scriptures;

Whereas, Dr. Houck was born in Michigan City on April 27, 1932, the son of Howard T. and Marion R. Houck, and graduated from Isaac C. Elston Senior High School; and

Whereas, Dr. Houck has dedicated his life to helping those in need: Therefore,

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives
of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana,
the Senate concurring;*



1 SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly thanks Dr. Richard
2 J. Houck for his decades of service to the people of Michigan City and
3 LaPorte County. Dr. Houck is the embodiment of all that is good in
4 mankind.

5 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
6 Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to Dr. Richard J.
7 Houck and his family.

